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SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Sir, is it not a fact that one or two lorries of Policemen were stationed day after day, and is it difficult for the Government to calculate the amount spent by the Police department?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : No extra Police was recruited for this purpose in the State and, therefore, there was no extra expenditure on this account.

SRI JOHN ASIRVATHAM : Sir, will Government consider taking deterrent action against those who preach class hatred and propagate communal differences?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Wherever Government find that people contravene the law, they take action. Regarding the quantum of punishment, it is for the courts to consider.

SRI A. M. ALLAPICHAJ : Does the Police department keep the Government in touch with the speeches made by members of some Association, who believe in some kind of differences between communities and communities?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The Government do have information. They are quite in touch with these activities.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Sir, I understand on an average daily about 40 to 50 constables, head constables and Sub-Inspectors, are on duty for the whole day before Murali Cafe? Is it right for the Hon. Minister to say that no extra expenditure was incurred for services rendered by the Police?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, if the Police people were not on duty at the Murali Cafe, they would have been on duty at some other place. So, there was no extra expenditure.

Reinstatement of teachers

* 21 Q.—**SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of cases from 1st January 1956 till date in which the managements of elementary schools in Tirunelveli and Ramanathapuram districts have failed to comply with the orders of Educational authorities for reinstatement of teachers whose services were terminated; and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government for the enforcement of such orders?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) Tirunelveli—4; Ramanathapuram—2.

(b) The cases are being examined by the Divisional Inspector concerned and the Director of Public Instruction. Under the existing rules, such cases do not generally come to the Government.

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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : May I know, Sir, for how long these cases have been pending?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I do not have the information at present.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Sir, I understand that these cases are pending with the Government for over a year, and that in some cases it is even two years. Will the Government kindly see that, as they promised, they equip themselves with statutory powers to enforce their decision on the management?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir. When we frame the Educational Code, this also will be taken into consideration.

Chembarampakkam tank

* 22 Q.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have instituted any enquiry into the causes for the low-level of water in Chembarampakkam tank;

(b) the steps proposed to be taken in the matter;

(c) when sand and silt at Kesavaram anicut were last cleared; and

(d) the steps, if any, taken or proposed to be taken to improve the anicut?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Minister for Public Works) : (a) & (b) There is no need to institute an enquiry, as all possible steps have been taken to augment and improve the supply condition of the Chembarampakkam tank which depends on various sources of supply. Unless there is normal rainfall in the Kortilliar catchment above Kesavaram anicut and normal floods in the Palar, there is no scope for improving the storage in the tank.

(c) There is no need to clear the silt and sand at Kesavaram anicut and hence, no clearance was made.

(d) All improvements to the anicut that are necessary have already been carried out including the raising of the crest of the anicut by 2 feet. There are at present no proposals under consideration for any further improvements.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : As, in spite of the monsoon, we find that every tank has no water at all, will the Government issue instructions to the Executive Engineer to see that the silted-up feeder channels are cleared up as early as possible?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, it is the view of the Executive Engineer that paucity of water in this tank is not due to any silting up, but due to lack of adequate rains, and that there is no other way of increasing the water-supply here.